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TO INFO	Chief of Station, Germany Chief of Base, Berlin, Bonn, Frankfurt, Hamburg Chief, Munich Operations Group		HEADQUARTERS FILE NO. 2PC [ ]
FROM	Chief, EE		DATE 20 DEC 1960
SUBJECT	OPERATIONAL/CAVIGOR Name Trace Request on Hildegard PURWIN		RE: "43.3" - (CHECK "X" ONE) XXX MARKED FOR INDEXING NO INDEXING REQUIRED
ACTION REQUIRED	Include BONN Base on all trace replies		INDEXING CAN BE JUDGED BY QUALIFIED HQ. DESK ONLY

REFERENCE(S)

- A. EGGA-1824, 7 October 1960 (Not sent BOB or MOG)  
B. EGNA-19983, 21 October 1960 (Not sent BOB or MOG)  
C. EGGA-1856, 4 November 1960 (Not sent BOB or MOG)

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1. Traces are requested from COS, BOB, Bonn, and MOG on:

- a. Hildegard \*PURWIN nee Burkhardt

(formerly Hildegard BEETZ, by first marriage  
formerly Hildegard BLUM, name assumed after WW II  
and later legalized)

DPOB: 16 September 1919, Oberrnissa near Weimar,  
Thuringia, Germany

RES: Bonn, Reuterstrasse 62

OCC: Bonn correspondent for the Neue Ruhrzeitung and  
Telegraf

- b. (Dr.) Carl Heinz \*PURWIN as Germany

DPOB: 6 February 1915, Koenigsberg, Germany

Husband of Hildegard PURWIN and also resident at the  
above Bonn address.

He is a journalist and in 1950 was editor-in-chief of  
the Welt der Arbeit; he was formerly in the KPD and is  
now a left-wing SPD member.

2. Since the Headquarter's [ ] file on Hildegard PURWIN is probably  
complete through 1951, field traces are requested on her only on information  
dated after 1 January 1952. Addressees please note that the following  
documents containing traces on either Hildegard or Dr. Carl Heinz PURWIN  
are available in Headquarters and should not be mentioned in field trace  
replies. (The information contained therein has been consolidated into  
the Attachments being sent to BONN and COS.)

MGFA-5911, 14 December 1951  
MGBA-11633, 21 February 1952  
MGBA-11634, 21 February 1952  
STTA 159, 22 December 1952  
EGQA-12308, 17 March 1953  
BONN 2842, dated 1955  
EGFW-3311, 13 December 1956  
EGFW-3312, 13 December 1956

EGQA-87253, 6 March 1957  
EGFA-18488, 11 October 1957  
BRUS 1759, 25 April 1958  
MUNI 7048, 1 May 1958  
EGQA-98725, 13 May 1958  
EGMW-6176, 7 June 1958  
EGFA-26980, 19 June 1959  
EGFA-26164, 21 April 1959

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3. BOB NOTE: Subject is not-identical with Hildegard WECK nee BEETZ  
traced in EGBA-38301, 15 January 1957; and EGQA-87253, 6 March 1957; and  
EGBW-6747, 8 April 1957; or Hildegard BURKHARD cited in EGBA-58007,  
5 June 1959; and EGOA-5667, 16 July 1959.

4. FOR COS: Please prepare All-Agency traces forms and trace  
Hildegard and Carl Heinz PURWIN with the other Agencies. (Send the replies  
to BONN Base and Headquarters.)

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5. Subject is being traced as a follow-up to References and in connection with the processing required for an OA, which has been initiated already. Her use is intended to be as a general KUTUBE source and possibly for CAVIGOR purposes.

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ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Preliminary PRQ Part I (for Bonn and COS) herewith
- B. Brief Summary of Subject and husband's Personal History (for Bonn and COS) herewith
- C. Selection of old documents (for Bonn) herewith
- D. Selection of encrypted old documents (for Bonn) under separate cover

DISTRIBUTION:

- 2-COS w/atts A, B, ~~C and D~~
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PRQ PART I

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1. Hildegard PURWIN
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3. Hildegard Burkhardt
4. a. "Felicitas" (@ used by Subject during activity with Amt VI, RSHA, 1940-45)  
b. Hildegard BLUM (identity assumed by Subject after war & legalized in Berlin around July 1951)  
c. Hildegard BEETZ (married Gerhard BEETZ, June 1943)
5. a. 16 September 1919  
b. Obernissa near Weimar, Thuringia, Germany
6. German
7. ---
8. Bonn, Reuterstrasse 62
9. ---
10. Bonn correspondent for Neue Ruhrzeitung and Telegraf, newspapers
13. Walter BURKHARDT; officer in German Air Forces & later teacher; born 10 September 1888, Rockan, Thuringia; German by birth. Died in 1935.
14. Martha BURKHARDT nee Baehr; housewife; born 1 February 1889, Nieder-Dorla, Muehlhausen, Thuringia; German by birth. In 1950 resided at 14 Belvedere Allee, Weimar.
15. Dr. Carl Heinz PURWIN; journalist; married Subject 1 December 1951; German by birth. Born 6 February 1915, Koenigsberg, Germany.
16. A child was born in 1952 or 1953.
17. Brother Rolf BURKHARDT; born 6 September 1922, Obernissa near Weimar; German. In 1950 he resided at 14 Belvedere Allee, Weimar, Germany.
18. ---
19. In 1950 she held personal identity document # 677/48, issued 5 October 1948 in Berlin. In 1952 she held passport # 548 issued in Bonn on 25 July 1952.

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20. Protestant
21. Probably pro-SPD.
22. June-November 1941 Rome, Italy Worked as interpreter for Amt VI
- July 1942 - August 1943 Rome, Italy Worked as interpreter and secretary for Amt VI
- September-November 1943 Allmannshausen, Interpreter for Count CIANO, Bavaria by orders of Amt VI
- November 1943 - January 1944 Verona, Italy Interpreter for Count CIANO, by orders of Amt VI
- January-April 1944 Lugano, Switzerland Worked for Amt VI on CIANO papers case
- April 1944 Como, Switzerland Vacation
- July 1952 Yugoslavia, Trieste  
August and Italy Month's vacation
23. Realgymnasium until 1938 in Weimar; graduated with the Abitur; from 1938 to 1939 attended Foreign Language School in Leipzig, graduating with the interpreter's certificate in Italian.
24. English and Italian - speak, read, understand good  
French - speak fair; understand and read, good.
25. Worked as a civilian secretary and translator for Amt VI, RSHA in Berlin and Rome from 1940-45.
26. ---
27. Journalistic work
28. ---
29. 1940-1945 Worked as secretary-translator for Amt VI in Berlin and Rome around August 1946 - October 1947 secretary-translator with OMHUS in Berlin around October 1947 employed at the newspaper Telegraf in Berlin mid 1949 Became the Frankfurt editor for Telegraf in Berlin 1950-1951 Correspondent in Bonn  
1 December 1951 Married and took less active interest in newspaper work in Bonn
30. Yes - it's her business
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33. Judged anti-Nazi on basis of interrogations in 1945-1946 and used as an informant (by OSS) on the RSHA.

34. Description: Age: 42. Apparent age: around 40. Height, about 5'2"; weight about 130 pounds; eyes, grey-blue; hair, brown; sex, female.

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ATTACHMENT B TO EGOW - 1830

Brief Personal History on Hildegard PURWIN [ ]

Since the complete file on Subject is in Headquarters, we shall briefly synopsise the past history for COS and Bonn. The PRQ Part I (Attachment A to EGOW-1830) partially supplements the information below.

Hildegard PURWIN entered the SD in 1939, serving in Weimar until March 1940 when she was transferred to Amt VI, RSHA (Reichsicherheitshauptamt). She worked as interpreter and translator of Italian at both the Rome and Berlin offices up to September 1943, when she was chosen to become an Agent. Her chief was Dr. Wilhelm ROETTL; she was assigned as secretary to the Italian Foreign Minister Count Galeazzo CIANO, then under house arrest at Allmannshausen/Starnbergersee, with instructions to report his activities to Amt VI.

She grew fond of CIANO, who had been transferred to prison at Verona, Italy and in October 1943 she decided to help him. She claimed that through her efforts CIANO's diary and several documents pertaining to Italo-German relations were kept from falling into the hands of the SD. She assisted CIANO's wife Edda MUSSOLINI in her escape to Switzerland. Upon her own request she was transferred back to Weimar in October 1944 where she continued her original work of translating and interpreting.

After her arrest by the Americans in June 1945 and interrogation, she was employed by (the then) KUBARK until 1951 in the following successive capacities:

- 1) Informant on former RSHA personalities and activities
- 2) "Sitting duck" Operation - She was employed in ONCUB, Berlin, to attract Russian recruitment approaches. This operation was unsuccessful.
- 3) She worked for CANLET in Berlin (the job was obtained for her by us) and later became head of the Frankfurt Bureau of his newspaper. She knew of CANLET's relationship with KUBARK and he knew of hers.
- 4) Information source in Bonn while acting as newspaper correspondent there. She had contacts in the SPD, labor, governmental and diplomatic circles. She had access to Thomas BEHLER, and (Per the former Case Officer, EGFN-3312, 13 December 1956) in the course of her years in Bonn she became a close friend and confident of [ ] learning from him about our support of [ ] Through CANLET she had been aware of [ ] Dr. Kurt SCHUMACHER [ ]

KUBARK's formal tie with Subject was terminated amicably in December 1951, around the time of her marriage to Carl Heinz PURWIN, because of her increased attention to household duties and because she was rated a rather unproductive source.

For the record, in the years 1945-1951, Hildegard PURWIN (then BEETZ) had met or known socially the following KUBARKers: [ ]

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and others briefly.

It should be noted, from the following trace, that UPHILL is aware that there was a relationship between KUBARK and Hildegard PURWIN, at one time: MUNI 7048, 1 May 1958, stated that a 1954 report from Werner NIEKE [ ] to UPHILL listed Hildegard BLUM as working for [ ] in Frankfurt.

[ ] attended Bremen Mayor Wilhem KAISEN's reception for the Bonn press on 19 March 1959. He subsequently reported on his [ ] conversation with [ ] on the SPD reunification plan and noted that Hildegard PURWIN, "a close friend of [ ]" also took part in this conversation. [ ] did not elaborate on PURWIN. (EGFA-26164, 21 April 1959, Att. B)

Hildegard PURWIN also has the confidence of [ ] as she described to [ ] when they met in Geneva in May/June 1959. (See EGFA-26980, 19 June 1959)

NOTE FOR BOHN: We are forwarding the following documents to Bonn Base in the belief they will make the above history more vivid. Since a copy of each is retained in the Hqs file, these dispatches may be destroyed at your discretion:

As H/W Attachment C: Original Lebenslauf, prepared by Hildegard REETZ, 23 May 1946  
MGFA-4088, 18 August 1950 (Original PRQ Part I)  
MGSA-2303, 19 September 1950  
MGFA-5911, 14 December 1951

As USC Attachment D: MGFA-4099, 22 August 1950 (Original PRQ Part II)  
MGFA-5563, 3 October 1951  
MGFA-5910, 14 December 1951

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Dr. Carl Heinz PURWIN

(DPOB: 6 February 1915, Koenigsberg, Germany)

Carl Heinz PURWIN was a pre-Hitler Social Democrat; he was drafted into the German Army in WW II and sent to France, where he promptly deserted and joined the Maquis. In 1944, following the liberation of Southern France by the U.S. 7th Army, PURWIN worked for the Army's Special Service Division, organizing traveling shows, along USO lines. After the war he worked on various British Zone newspapers and since 1947 he has been with the DOB. On 1 December 1951 he married Hildegard BEETZ and they have been living in Bonn since then. (MOFA-5911, 14 December 1951)

"In a memorandum to the Chief, PEMIGHT, dated 2 August 1951 [ ] recommended (Karl Heinz PURWIN) and (Colonel Konrad STEPHANUS) as possible resistance leaders. As per memorandum from [ ] Chief, QKFENCE, dated 8 August 1951, [ ] was authorized to make the contacts. Although (STEPHANUS) was located by [ ] no contact could be made due to lack of any introductory contact or information. Before attempting again to make contact, [ ] requests that he receive from [ ] additional information about the two subjects. This information should include, if possible, a suggestion as to how such contact may be made. /s/ [ ]" (1654 CFRPO, 1 October 1951 quoted in toto; repeated in toto in EGFW-3311, 13 December 1956)

According to a "List of arrivals of foreign newspaper correspondents in Trieste for the period June - September 1952, Memo dated 8 August 1952, Karl PURWIN, (DPOB as above), German citizen, Passport # 0505783 issued in Duesseldorf on 11 November 1950, arrived in Trieste on 7 August 1952 from Bonn; Hildegard PURWIN also arrived on the same day, from Bonn. (STTA-159, 22 December 1952, quoted in EGFW-3311)

CAVATA traced Dr. Carl Heinz PURWIN (DPOB as above) with UPHILL in 1953, but the reason for the trace is not indicated in Headquarters files. (EGIA-4021, 16 June 1953)

Viktor Herbert SCHNEIDER [ ], the convicted MFS Agent, reported at the time of his interrogations that he had been ordered by the MFS to report to them the names of all his CDU and journalist acquaintances in the Bonn area; SCHNEIDER did this and included among these four PURWIN. The MFS then told him to assess certain of them, including PURWIN. SCHNEIDER acted upon this order and reported to the MFS that PURWIN was "an excessive drinker, given to extra-marital affairs and probably approachable by the MFS. PURWIN's wife is named Hilde." Our files do not indicate whether or not it is known if the MFS did (or have recently) contacted PURWIN. (BRUS 1759, 25 April 1958; MUNI 7048, 1 May 1958; EGQA-98725, 13 May 1958 summary; EGFW-6176, 7 June 1958)

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